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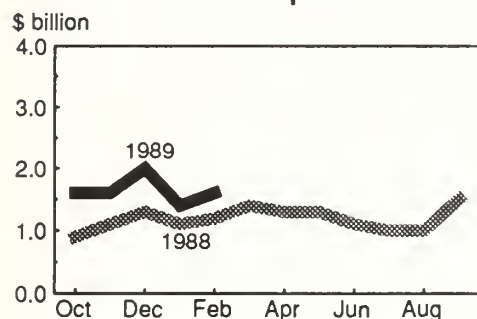
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U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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Trade Surplus



Trade Surplus Rises - Following a decline in January, the U.S. agricultural trade surplus turned upwards again in February, growing \$184 million to \$1.6 billion, which was close to its average value of the previous 5 months. Agricultural exports rose \$119 million in February, and imports fell slightly.

Exports Up - U.S. agricultural exports increased in February, surpassing January's level by \$119 million, reaching nearly \$3.5 billion. Wheat, cotton, hide, and meat exports rose, offsetting lower exports of corn, soybeans, and tobacco.

Wheat exports climbed 307,000 tons as shipments to the USSR more than doubled from January's 300,000 tons. Shipments to China, Mexico, and Venezuela also grew in February, helping offset reduced shipments to Pakistan and Korea. Average export prices remained about the same in February, and export value rose only \$46 million.

Cotton exports rebounded strongly in February, climbing \$75 million and 56,000 tons. Shipments rose to the largest U.S. cotton customers, Japan and Korea, but shipments to Egypt showed the strongest gain. Exports were also higher to China and Iraq. Although the gain in cotton exports was unusually large during February, January's equally unusual decline netted a 2-month average close to normal seasonal patterns.

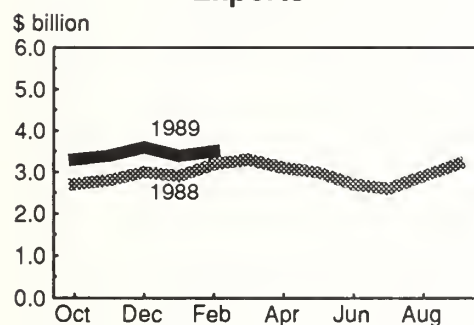
U.S. *corn* exports fell 500,000 tons in February. Reduced exports to Japan and Mexico accounted for most of the month-to-month change, offsetting larger shipments to the EC. Shipments totaled 3.9 million tons and \$477 million. Although 517,000 tons and \$74 million lower than during January, February corn exports were still well above those of 12 months earlier. February marked the fifth consecutive month that U.S.

corn exports to the USSR exceeded 1 million tons, the longest such stretch of shipments since FY 1985.

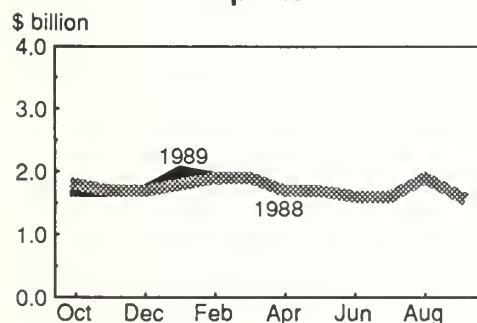
U.S. *soybean* exports fell 277,000 tons and \$79 million in February as overseas customers increasingly focused on Brazilian and Argentine oilseeds. Shipments to Japan were up sharply to 423,000 tons and shipments to Taiwan rose as well. However, shipments to the EC and Korea were lower. (Stephen MacDonald, 202-786-1821).

Imports Lower - U.S. agricultural imports totaled \$1.9 billion in February, \$65 million below the previous month, and lower than February 1988. Nearly all commodities fell in value from January to February, with the exception of fruits and vegetables which rose 13 percent as seasonally higher purchases continued. Coffee imports in February dropped 14 percent below the previous month. The Mexican Government temporarily suspended shipments of feeder cattle to the United States in late March. But this may have little aggregate impact since imports of feeder cattle are usually heaviest in the November-February period. (Steve Milmo, 202-786-1821).

Exports



Imports



Export Share of Production - U.S. agricultural export volume increased as a share of production during FY 1988 to 18 percent, the most in 4 years. Exports increased 15 percent to 148 million tons, while U.S. agricultural production fell 11 percent. FY 1988's 18 percent share compares favorably with the 14 percent share of the preceding 2 years, but remains well under 1981's record 24 percent. However, wheat exports reached a near-record 73 percent of production, exceeded only by FY 1973's 89 percent share. Exports of hops, almonds, soybeans, and rice all exceeded 50 percent of production. (Steve Milmo, 202-786-1821).

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	October-February				February			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1987/88	1988/89	1987/88	1988/89	1988	1989	1988	1989
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	14,574,896	17,116,040	--	--	3,157,041	3,478,620
Animals & animal products (NA)	--	--	2,331,116	2,740,029	--	--	473,794	510,949
Animals live - excl. poultry (NO)	140	1,491	196,821	291,089	25	72	27,508	34,686
Cattle & calves - live (NO)	58	170	46,188	100,033	6	22	5,303	12,758
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	9	14	146,069	148,851	2	3	21,125	16,567
Swine - live (NO)	3	127	2,747	16,316	1	22	584	2,198
Other live animals (NO)	69	1,180	1,817	25,888	17	25	495	3,163
Meats & meat prods, excl poultry (MT)	234	307	642,119	918,407	42	55	114,762	169,181
Beef & veal (MT)	90	112	367,613	535,601	14	23	62,891	104,707
Beef & veal - fresh or frozen (MT)	89	110	361,614	526,366	13	23	61,646	103,315
Beef - prepared or preserved (MT)	1	2	5,999	9,235	0	1	1,245	1,393
Horsemeat-fresh, chill., frozen (MT)	19	22	37,800	47,889	4	4	7,463	8,721
Pork (MT)	19	33	72,959	121,211	2	6	9,301	22,191
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	16	28	66,505	108,014	2	5	8,231	20,208
Pork - prepared or preserved (MT)	3	5	6,455	13,197	0	1	1,071	1,983
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	99	131	144,884	191,523	20	19	30,168	28,683
Other meats - fresh or prep (MT)	7	9	18,862	22,182	2	2	4,940	4,879
Poultry & poultry products (NA)	--	--	247,283	298,329	--	--	46,812	54,623
Poultry - live (NO)	18,055	16,952	30,078	29,519	3,242	3,066	5,711	5,434
Baby chicks (NO)	16,465	14,691	27,775	26,316	2,802	2,493	5,081	4,925
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	2,303	3,203	--	--	630	509
Poultry meats (MT)	156	179	160,936	206,593	28	37	28,053	38,618
Chicken - fresh or frozen (MT)	136	162	137,229	182,601	23	34	22,970	34,054
Turkeys - fresh or frozen (MT)	11	7	10,453	9,123	2	1	2,097	1,477
Other poultry - fresh or froz (MT)	7	5	7,379	6,983	2	1	1,800	1,233
Poultry meats - prep or pres (MT)	3	4	5,875	7,885	1	1	1,186	1,853
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	1	1	10,198	11,411	0	0	2,435	3,183
Eggs and products (NA)	--	--	46,072	50,806	--	--	10,613	7,388
Dairy products (MT)	141	175	174,623	199,327	21	44	28,254	33,128
Evaporated & condensed milk (MT)	1	4	982	5,985	0	2	200	4,628
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	93	53	67,878	74,512	10	8	8,965	13,212
Butter & anhydrous milkfat (MT)	3	2	3,532	3,136	0	1	44	931
Cheese (MT)	9	8	16,466	15,948	2	1	3,283	2,274
Whey, fluid or dried (MT)	17	35	10,022	21,005	5	6	2,924	4,571
Other dairy products (MT)	19	74	75,743	78,742	3	26	12,838	7,512
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	543	593	203,487	237,461	126	128	48,817	49,092
Lard (MT)	20	26	9,651	12,958	3	4	1,784	1,967
Tallow - inedible (MT)	483	491	173,059	187,817	116	110	43,563	41,249
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	40	76	20,777	36,686	6	14	3,471	5,877
Hides & skins, including furs (NA)	--	--	773,045	681,198	--	--	188,438	146,898
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	9,143	9,976	578,190	540,036	2,090	2,017	127,504	103,694
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	--	--	8,167	12,405	--	--	2,060	3,067
Other hides & skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	64,036	66,566	--	--	13,497	12,445
Furskins (NA)	--	--	122,652	62,190	--	--	45,377	27,692
Mink pelts (NO)	1,206	1,179	46,336	39,405	615	633	24,775	20,550
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	76,317	22,786	--	--	20,602	7,142
Wool & mohair (MT)	3	3	18,072	17,393	0	1	2,273	3,902
Sausage casings (MT)	4	5	11,355	12,204	1	1	2,141	2,601
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	14,743	22,058	--	--	3,061	3,484
Misc animal prods - other (MT)	19	39	49,569	62,564	5	14	11,727	13,353
Grains and feeds (MT)	42,564	46,042	4,399,229	6,728,045	8,929	9,572	944,683	1,406,742
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	15,523	14,422	1,532,612	2,260,223	3,918	3,460	382,488	552,535
Wheat flour (MT)	484	623	61,769	106,534	51	129	6,871	28,385
Bulgur wheat (MT)	60	32	10,969	13,219	6	0	1,161	28
Other wheat products (MT)	4	4	3,501	4,116	1	1	447	674
Rice-paddy, milled, parboiled (MT)	1,000	1,247	293,870	380,541	137	212	50,891	63,417
Feed grains & products (MT)	20,739	24,877	1,756,370	3,076,653	3,863	4,837	347,616	586,616
Feed grains (MT)	20,605	24,734	1,723,056	3,032,868	3,842	4,787	341,255	575,277
Barley (MT)	1,434	423	115,262	51,384	147	2	12,468	286
Corn (MT)	16,869	20,976	1,420,914	2,600,640	3,127	3,930	280,328	477,212
Grain sorghums (MT)	2,298	3,288	186,419	375,357	567	835	48,401	95,445
Oats (MT)	3	5	386	571	0	1	52	119
Rye (MT)	1	43	76	4,916	0	19	6	2,216
Feed grain products (MT)	134	143	33,314	43,785	21	50	6,360	11,339
Popcorn (MT)	27	23	13,275	12,919	6	3	3,003	1,731
Blended food products (MT)	82	85	21,416	27,183	11	21	3,004	6,456
Other grain products (MT)	82	123	58,027	83,137	14	29	11,444	18,311
Feeds & fodders, excl. oilcake (MT)	4,563	4,605	647,420	763,520	924	880	137,759	148,589
Corn by-products (MT)	2,496	2,376	330,282	352,893	434	372	62,621	54,003
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	247	215	31,104	32,059	56	30	7,439	4,742
Beet pulp (MT)	431	330	47,669	42,393	79	87	8,582	11,156
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	225	297	27,251	34,667	108	101	12,540	11,470
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	1,163	1,387	211,113	301,507	247	290	46,576	67,218
Fruits & preparations, excl juice (MT)	815	832	559,010	588,418	168	175	109,412	113,272
Fruits - fresh (MT)	689	698	391,304	412,025	148	153	82,455	83,966
Fruits - fresh - citrus (MT)	385	394	207,734	209,970	111	117	58,686	60,226
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	200	203	99,703	97,521	69	70	35,395	34,324
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	62	61	38,239	40,234	11	10	6,133	5,403
Oranges & tangerines - fresh (MT)	119	127	67,498	70,488	30	36	16,529	20,466
Other citrus - fresh (MT)	3	3	2,293	1,728	1	0	629	33
Fruits - fresh - noncitrus (MT)	304	305	183,570	202,055	37	36	23,769	23,740
Apples - fresh (MT)	191	164	80,093	82,041	21	19	9,586	10,483
Grapes - fresh (MT)	44	65	44,812	59,606	2	4	2,443	3,209
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	70	76	58,665	60,407	14	13	11,740	10,048

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	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1987/88	1988/89	1987/88	1988/89	1988	1989	1988	1989
Fruits - dried (MT)	71	73	111,327	115,206	11	11	16,863	18,308
Raisins - dried (MT)	38	40	56,880	62,246	5	7	6,707	9,957
Prunes - dried (MT)	29	28	45,363	44,270	5	4	7,601	7,147
Other dried fruits (MT)	5	4	9,084	8,690	1	1	2,554	1,204
Fruits - canned - excl. juice (MT)	34	32	35,203	33,131	6	5	6,360	4,954
Fruits - frozen, excl. juice (MT)	11	11	10,818	9,968	2	1	2,026	1,215
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	10	17	10,358	18,089	2	5	1,709	4,830
Fruit juices, including frozen (HL)	1,504	1,656	71,850	84,176	378	330	19,155	17,925
Orange juice (HL)	754	786	36,699	41,213	185	155	9,791	7,685
Other fruit juices (HL)	750	870	35,151	42,963	193	175	9,364	10,240
Wine (HL)	22	104	27,140	28,745	5	52	5,879	6,416
Nuts and preparations (MT)	238	244	473,186	446,127	29	31	64,413	57,218
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	86	80	279,085	246,285	14	12	46,556	36,801
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	83	97	60,539	78,607	11	16	8,206	12,250
Walnuts, shelled or unshelled (MT)	58	57	96,297	85,355	2	2	3,153	3,618
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	1	1	3,176	4,128	0	0	611	507
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	10	10	34,089	31,751	2	1	5,886	4,042
Vegetables & preparations (MT)	811	938	544,328	629,835	174	207	114,329	121,947
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	296	282	130,067	128,156	47	58	24,384	28,753
Celery - fresh (MT)	25	27	7,876	8,602	6	6	1,819	1,793
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	111	75	35,484	23,742	17	17	5,170	5,149
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	6	21	2,383	8,193	2	7	762	2,867
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	30	28	20,007	18,662	4	7	2,168	4,909
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	124	131	64,317	68,959	20	21	14,465	14,034
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	93	107	65,343	79,653	18	21	12,770	15,448
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	52	62	34,878	41,997	9	13	6,307	8,537
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	41	45	30,465	37,657	9	8	6,463	6,911
Vegetables - canned (MT)	66	85	53,336	73,452	12	9	10,222	8,375
Pulses (MT)	250	233	104,470	124,279	77	39	29,757	19,060
Dried beans (MT)	176	163	80,542	98,013	59	24	24,211	14,359
Dried peas (MT)	61	54	18,801	17,873	14	12	4,323	3,576
Dried lentils (MT)	14	16	5,126	8,394	4	2	1,223	1,125
Hops, including hop extract (MT)	5	5	31,385	31,499	1	1	6,944	5,904
Other veg - prep or pres (MT)	100	226	159,727	192,795	18	80	30,252	44,407
Oilseeds and products (MT)	16,219	11,423	3,770,833	3,597,116	3,796	2,196	937,015	681,874
Oilcake and meal (MT)	2,819	2,394	624,659	679,883	910	471	203,904	129,732
Soybean meal (MT)	2,739	2,336	613,573	668,784	895	465	201,520	128,349
Other oilcakes and meals (MT)	80	58	11,087	11,099	15	6	2,384	1,383
Oilseeds (MT)	12,733	8,468	2,805,637	2,569,092	2,677	1,607	625,594	483,430
Soybeans (MT)	12,529	8,250	2,705,816	2,443,242	2,640	1,527	603,736	451,234
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	122	40	38,379	22,281	19	4	8,958	1,891
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	24	34	18,400	28,400	3	4	2,357	3,181
Other oilseeds (MT)	40	115	12,034	34,681	11	68	3,929	20,463
Protein substances (MT)	18	29	31,007	40,487	4	4	6,614	6,661
Vegetable oils (MT)	667	561	340,537	348,141	208	118	107,517	68,713
Soybean oil (MT)	308	272	138,520	152,919	127	30	60,140	16,002
Cottonseed oil (MT)	65	63	30,056	32,195	17	19	8,391	9,753
Sunflower oil (MT)	161	88	69,352	45,923	46	42	21,688	20,258
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	132	138	102,609	117,104	18	28	17,297	22,700
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	117	108	668,165	655,181	17	26	95,392	145,017
Tobacco - burley (MT)	12	13	68,703	80,656	4	5	24,515	32,223
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	83	73	520,515	479,136	10	13	59,963	83,160
Other tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	22	23	78,947	95,389	3	8	10,914	29,634
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	676	549	1,036,662	761,370	161	161	253,238	218,604
Cotton linters (MT)	15	24	5,606	9,000	5	5	1,957	1,952
Essential oils (MT)	4	5	51,034	71,385	1	1	11,474	15,657
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	170	191	243,120	250,833	35	43	48,680	55,091
Sugar and tropical products (MT)	423	1,004	276,628	340,430	86	140	54,920	70,314
Sugar & related products (MT)	382	942	79,480	103,902	78	124	16,960	25,662
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	138	737	34,887	49,856	24	36	6,893	12,965
Related sugar products (MT)	244	205	44,593	54,046	54	88	10,066	12,697
Coffee (MT)	6	7	34,798	38,677	1	1	5,761	6,833
Cocoa (MT)	2	4	3,873	11,141	0	1	884	2,453
Chocolate & preparations (MT)	12	21	45,024	71,911	3	5	9,978	13,469
Tea & mate' (MT)	1	1	6,960	7,846	0	1	1,630	2,530
Spices (MT)	3	4	10,668	11,502	1	1	2,120	2,177
Flavoring sirups & extracts (MT)	9	7	81,468	64,818	2	1	14,214	5,567
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	8	17	13,829	29,880	2	6	3,273	11,333
Other misc. veg. products (MT)	11	18	63,226	85,864	3	9	9,092	18,295
Nursery & greenhouse products (NA)	--	--	29,667	39,537	--	--	8,488	11,474
Beverages, excluding juices (HL)	47	432	24,095	59,949	9	234	5,119	25,873
Selected non-agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	3,645,653	3,724,525	--	--	765,643	729,552
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	1,003,739	639,592	--	--	186,178	2,060
Fish and shellfish (MT)	176	233	591,356	676,064	47	48	133,833	192,457
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	83	104	320,736	333,363	18	24	53,546	79,140
Shellfish (MT)	27	43	204,387	248,517	11	19	65,093	96,235
Other fish products (MT)	66	86	66,233	94,184	18	5	15,194	17,082
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	109	114	641,772	614,786	26	25	148,308	101,320
Fungicides (MT)	15	12	84,647	71,959	3	2	17,483	7,125
Herbicides (MT)	65	61	361,774	331,822	17	13	91,897	56,452
Insecticides (MT)	22	24	148,300	132,980	5	5	27,285	16,363
Other pesticides (MT)	7	16	47,051	78,025	2	5	11,643	21,380
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	342,731	511,158	--	--	71,583	141,773
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	23	83	156,985	173,057	5	33	28,289	28,774
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	185,746	338,101	--	--	43,294	112,999
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	1,066,055	1,282,925	--	--	225,742	291,942

Preliminary data. -- Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns represent less than 500 units.

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	October-February				February			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1987/88	1988/89	1987/88	1988/89	1988	1989	1988	1989
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	8,942,547	8,980,340	--	--	1,924,400	1,872,989
Noncompetitive agric. imports (NA)	--	--	2,807,679	2,572,497	--	--	599,915	490,794
Bananas and plantains (MT)	1,263	1,242	328,761	348,923	258	247	67,882	71,851
Coffee, including products (MT)	484	404	1,133,220	989,297	103	82	259,846	203,260
Cocoa and products (MT)	274	234	596,365	409,489	55	46	118,988	81,039
Tea and mate' (MT)	32	35	41,544	51,482	7	7	8,618	10,321
Spices (MT)	39	43	153,496	113,089	7	8	29,845	20,048
Rubber & allied gums - crude (MT)	358	377	372,220	459,040	71	52	76,293	61,860
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	3,070	3,960	0	0	509	1,532
Wool, unmanufactured - carpet (MT)	6	6	20,086	20,469	1	2	3,634	5,684
Fibers, excluding cotton (MT)	22	26	10,461	13,578	4	9	2,076	4,506
Essential oils (MT)	5	7	52,133	60,708	1	1	11,240	11,797
Drugs - crude - natural (MT)	18	27	87,121	97,259	3	5	19,300	18,895
Other noncompetitive imports (NA)	--	--	9,202	5,204	--	--	1,683	1
Competitive agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	6,134,868	6,407,843	--	--	1,324,485	1,382,195
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	2,273,104	2,105,067	--	--	504,284	428,989
Animals-live, exclud. poultry (NO)	1,216	1,168	390,974	356,697	323	288	105,538	83,566
Cattle - live (NO)	956	594	337,609	272,280	266	182	94,009	70,532
Horses & mules - live (NO)	5	4	28,918	32,640	1	1	6,135	3,506
Swine - live(NO)	221	535	22,167	48,921	44	103	4,594	9,373
Other live animals (NO)	35	34	2,280	2,857	13	2	800	155
Meats & products exc. poultry (MT)	507	452	1,134,396	991,762	108	86	234,205	191,085
Beef and veal (MT)	293	266	636,483	593,275	63	52	133,828	119,836
Beef & veal-fresh or frozen (MT)	261	237	546,280	516,953	57	46	117,406	103,410
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	31	29	90,203	76,322	6	6	16,422	16,426
Pork (MT)	194	165	448,363	343,451	41	29	91,676	60,399
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	124	104	225,674	167,726	27	19	48,470	30,554
Pork - prepared or preservd (MT)	69	61	222,689	175,726	14	10	43,206	29,845
Mutton, goat, & lamb (MT)	9	7	16,092	15,648	2	1	3,745	2,780
Mutton goat & lamb-fr/frz (MT)	9	7	15,514	14,932	2	1	3,600	2,780
Mutton goat & lamb-prep/pres (MT)	0	0	578	716	0	0	145	0
Variety meats-fresh or frozen (MT)	4	5	5,897	7,215	1	1	903	2,224
Other meats - fresh or froz (MT)	2	2	10,099	13,801	0	0	948	2,571
Other meats & products (MT)	5	7	17,444	18,363	1	1	3,088	3,275
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	44,649	48,185	--	--	6,445	9,925
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	3,378	4,358	--	--	386	1,162
Poultry meat (MT)	2	2	6,382	6,232	0	0	850	730
Eggs (NA)	--	--	5,966	7,648	--	--	1,232	1,790
Feathers & downs - crude (MT)	4	5	28,922	29,947	1	1	3,977	6,243
Dairy products (MT)	148	140	383,729	350,196	25	16	66,383	51,090
Milk & cream, fresh or dried (MT)	8	7	7,557	7,569	2	2	2,489	2,334
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	0	1	747	1,877	0	0	67	193
Cheese (MT)	56	50	182,623	159,350	8	7	24,368	21,713
Casein & mixtures (MT)	44	25	114,839	113,004	9	5	24,510	22,947
Other dairy products (MT)	40	57	77,964	68,397	6	3	14,949	3,904
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	9	7	7,914	6,362	2	1	1,535	729
Hides & skins, incl. furskins (NA)	--	--	102,874	122,243	--	--	33,952	32,753
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	2	2	14,490	16,565	0	1	3,452	4,319
Other hides & skins, ex furs (MT)	11	15	23,274	29,647	2	3	3,834	6,012
Furskins (NA)	--	--	65,110	76,032	--	--	26,666	22,421
Wool - unmf, apparel grades (MT)	23	19	116,014	128,052	6	5	37,706	38,492
Sausage casings (MT)	5	7	25,783	27,313	1	1	5,191	4,246
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	1,377	1,667	--	--	206	203
Misc animal products (NA)	--	--	65,395	72,590	--	--	13,121	16,900
Grains, products, & feeds (MT)	1,208	1,431	348,615	453,831	313	353	67,214	99,808
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	100	139	12,292	23,460	18	22	2,179	4,701
Oats, unmilled (MT)	322	477	33,711	65,605	133	161	13,972	20,555
Barley, unmilled (MT)	133	104	10,301	17,603	29	35	2,317	6,040
Rice (MT)	38	46	17,347	22,330	8	11	3,887	5,211
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	57	61	125,469	132,606	8	11	16,710	22,039
Pasta & noodles (MT)	43	42	33,595	34,772	8	6	6,105	5,545
Other grains & preps (MT)	132	117	57,200	73,298	26	28	10,559	15,578
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	383	446	58,699	84,157	84	79	11,485	20,139
Fruits & preparations (MT)	602	691	386,136	419,505	216	227	138,867	129,787
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	438	476	247,238	248,818	178	187	109,406	99,163
Strawberries, fresh or froz (MT)	11	14	11,946	13,934	4	5	3,501	4,204
Apples, fresh (MT)	25	30	8,289	11,297	4	5	1,566	1,685
Citrus, fresh (MT)	49	45	16,154	11,566	9	4	2,333	1,714
Grapes, fresh (MT)	130	118	106,675	89,029	85	70	68,017	50,112
Mangoes (MT)	0	2	53	874	0	0	0	219
Melons (MT)	107	143	29,200	38,281	36	55	9,844	13,977
Pineapples (MT)	33	37	10,329	16,265	8	12	2,791	5,254
Other fruits - fresh or froz (MT)	83	88	64,593	67,571	33	35	21,356	22,000
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	165	214	138,897	170,688	37	40	29,461	30,623
Pineapples - canned or prep (MT)	88	109	60,615	66,450	22	23	14,351	13,595
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	77	105	78,282	104,237	15	17	15,111	17,028
Orange juice (HL)	9,387	7,659	252,283	280,345	1,395	1,424	45,367	45,726
Other fruit juices (HL)	4,026	5,996	99,623	137,418	684	1,165	18,848	25,638
Nuts & preparations (MT)	69	60	163,945	144,270	9	11	20,232	27,995
Brazil nuts (MT)	2	2	4,321	6,947	0	0	673	1,066
Cashew nuts (MT)	18	18	106,427	86,300	2	4	11,617	19,869
Chestnuts (MT)	3	4	6,589	8,253	0	0	152	9
Coconut meat (MT)	18	19	15,933	16,897	3	4	2,809	3,003
Filberts (MT)	1	2	2,782	5,303	0	0	446	256
Macademia nuts (MT)	1	1	5,037	8,067	0	0	877	911
Pistachio nuts (MT)	1	0	3,031	801	0	0	1,329	57
Other nuts (MT)	24	14	19,824	11,701	3	2	2,329	2,824

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity - continued

Commodity and unit	October-February				February			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1987/88	1988/89	1987/88	1988/89	1988	1989	1988	1989
Vegetables & preparations (MT)	1,199	1,255	704,627	834,749	335	353	182,138	244,483
Vegetables - fresh or frozen (MT)	872	860	365,996	435,241	276	261	109,426	149,786
Tomatoes (MT)	167	165	80,484	100,299	82	74	35,042	55,399
Asparagus (MT)	7	6	11,612	8,833	4	3	6,298	3,984
Beans (MT)	8	12	7,094	10,725	3	4	1,616	2,894
Carrots (MT)	40	32	7,299	7,324	4	3	857	841
Cucumbers (MT)	158	132	35,856	52,214	49	36	9,608	17,355
Eggplant (MT)	10	11	4,707	5,031	3	3	1,367	1,390
Garlic (MT)	3	2	2,242	2,577	2	1	1,092	1,538
Onions (MT)	73	57	40,038	33,243	23	21	10,733	7,967
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	15	24	11,008	22,177	3	5	2,452	5,855
Peppers (MT)	68	68	32,924	42,938	25	22	8,001	13,662
Potatoes (MT)	106	116	20,471	29,312	22	25	3,900	6,223
Squash (MT)	38	45	21,048	20,520	13	13	6,939	6,579
Other veds - fresh or froz (MT)	178	189	91,211	100,048	43	51	21,520	26,101
Vegetables - prep/preserved (MT)	328	395	338,631	399,507	60	92	72,712	94,696
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	33	30	53,996	56,845	6	6	11,015	11,805
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	15	14	32,204	34,101	5	6	9,478	15,090
Hops, incl extract (MT)	2	3	10,947	12,057	1	2	7,159	6,508
Artichokes - prepared (MT)	3	3	5,218	5,406	0	0	495	531
Asparagus - prepared (MT)	1	1	2,083	2,970	0	0	392	312
Tomatoes, incl paste & sauce (MT))	60	66	32,503	47,713	8	8	4,349	8,166
Waterchestnuts (MT)	11	10	9,097	7,761	3	2	2,645	1,785
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	18	24	7,154	13,248	4	8	1,737	3,943
Other vegetables-prep/pres (MT)	184	244	185,429	219,406	32	59	35,441	46,555
Sugar and related products (MT)	862	1,549	232,816	341,804	180	700	48,441	65,458
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	410	605	138,686	234,709	95	112	31,244	39,059
Molasses - inedible (MT)	304	812	23,592	23,753	61	564	5,167	7,026
Confectionery products (MT)	16	20	24,227	36,755	3	6	4,712	11,527
Other sugar & related prods (MT)	132	111	46,311	46,587	21	18	7,318	7,846
Spices (MT)	10	9	13,204	13,522	2	2	2,988	2,868
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	82	60	234,420	188,122	13	12	39,018	41,987
Tobacco - filler (MT)	70	55	217,819	179,845	11	11	35,702	40,852
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	6	4	7,845	2,934	1	0	1,523	44
Other tobacco (MT)	6	2	8,756	5,343	1	0	1,792	1,091
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	5,990	5,380	839,116	739,077	1,084	919	135,259	109,897
Wine (HL)	1,384	1,233	461,167	398,991	207	155	62,361	46,559
Malt beverages (HL)	4,195	3,811	345,409	313,946	805	735	67,862	61,036
Other beverages (HL)	411	336	32,541	26,139	72	29	5,036	2,302
Oilseeds & products (MT)	737	916	333,384	437,925	139	174	64,119	77,603
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	84	214	28,681	77,328	19	47	6,954	17,456
Flaxseed (MT)	15	114	2,121	38,530	3	30	461	10,464
Sesameseed (MT)	20	15	13,111	12,094	4	3	2,510	2,926
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	50	86	13,449	26,704	12	14	3,983	4,066
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	553	550	289,657	331,099	101	103	54,333	55,213
Castor oil (MT)	16	17	14,001	15,194	0	2	13	1,991
Coconut oil (MT)	227	160	100,795	81,182	44	36	21,034	13,367
Olive oil (MT)	28	35	46,363	55,652	5	5	8,111	7,898
Palm oil (MT)	87	74	28,760	30,940	14	25	4,892	10,343
Palm kernel oil (MT)	118	84	52,623	47,625	22	12	9,897	7,164
Other oils & waxes-vegetable (MT))	76	181	47,116	100,506	17	23	10,384	14,450
Oilcake & meal (MT)	101	152	15,045	29,498	19	24	2,833	4,935
Cotton, excluding lintens (MT)	0	0	410	962	0	0	64	136
Cotton lintens (MT)	16	4	3,577	1,372	2	0	573	113
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	45	64	62,313	78,702	15	22	14,360	19,983
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	115,949	130,436	--	--	29,561	34,612
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	--	--	56,925	63,962	--	--	10,772	12,994
Other vegetable products (MT)	6	11	14,420	36,774	1	5	2,380	14,117
Selected non-agricultural imports(NA)	--	--	3,937,582	4,032,052	--	--	782,480	847,116
Fertilizers (MT)	6,593	7,281	574,900	762,740	1,465	1,369	132,202	164,391
Potassium (MT)	2,998	3,216	267,728	287,116	633	589	55,338	52,888
Nitrogen (MT)	3,020	2,950	241,565	371,850	681	466	57,463	81,344
Phosphate (MT)	325	950	25,219	76,890	79	309	8,021	29,066
Mixed or organic fertilizers (MT)	250	155	40,388	25,125	71	0	11,380	0
Fish and shellfish(MT)	14,587	16,207	2,188,370	2,189,561	2,883	117	373,083	413,341
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	354	348	988,054	915,103	66	86	172,052	211,687
Shellfish (MT)	140	157	1,149,050	1,229,797	22	25	189,041	195,928
Fish products, other (MT)	14,094	15,703	51,266	44,661	2,796	7	11,990	5,726
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	39	22	210,180	145,604	8	8	62,224	53,521
Fungicides (MT)	3	4	21,805	22,561	1	1	8,133	7,083
Herbicides (MT)	21	7	103,519	61,058	4	1	28,834	18,978
Insecticides (MT)	7	1	51,702	10,048	2	0	15,488	3,123
Other pesticides (MT)	9	11	33,153	51,936	2	5	9,769	24,336
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	930,092	896,769	--	--	209,303	209,395
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	49	231	496,777	414,808	11	126	112,336	96,328
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	--	--	433,314	481,961	--	--	96,967	113,068
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	34,040	37,379	--	--	5,669	6,466

Preliminary data. -- Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns denote less than 500 units.

Table 3--U.S. Agricultural Trade Summary (\$ Million)

Item	Jan	Feb	FY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
				Percent
Agricultural exports	3,360	3,479	17,116	17.4
Imports (c.i.f.)	2,139	2,115	10,024	1.6
Imports (Customs val.)	1,938	1,873	8,980	0.4
Trade Balance:				
Exports minus cif imports	1,220	1,364	7,092	50.8
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,422	1,606	8,136	44.5
Preliminary data.				

Table 4-- Export Share of Production, 1987-88 (Percent)

Commodity	FY 1987	FY 1988
Total, U.S. 1/	14	18
Wheat	52	73
Hops	50	70
Almonds	89	66
Soybeans	56	55
Rice	57	53
Tobacco, unmfg.	48	48
Cotton, raw	62	43
Tallow	44	43
Grain sorghum	21	32
Walnuts	44	32
Corn	19	25
Poultry	5	4

1/ Exports as a percentage of gross cash income to farmers. Commodity ratios compare fiscal year export volume with preceding year's production.

Table 5--U.S. Agricultural Exports (\$ Million)

Commodity group	Dec	Jan	Feb	FY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Total	3,624	3,360	3,479	17,116	17.4
Live animals	64	48	40	321	41.3
Meat & prep.	230	187	208	1,125	40.1
Hides & skins	132	114	147	682	-11.9
Wheat	428	507	553	2,260	47.5
Rice	87	69	63	381	29.5
Corn	533	551	477	2,601	83.0
Other feed grains	115	93	98	432	43.1
Animal feeds	306	281	278	1,443	13.5
Soybeans	553	531	451	2,443	-9.7
Vegetable oils	61	62	69	348	2.2
Horticult. prod.	368	296	328	1,817	6.5
Cotton & linters	209	146	221	770	-26.1
Tobacco, unmfg.	132	164	145	655	-1.9

Table 6--U.S. Agricultural Imports (Customs value) (\$ Million)

Commodity group	Dec	Jan	Feb	FY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Total	1,670	1,938	1,873	8,980	0.4
Live animals	69	94	85	361	-8.4
Meat & prep.	165	245	192	998	-12.5
Dairy prod.	79	55	51	350	-8.7
Grains & feeds	77	90	100	454	30.2
Fruits & nuts	257	272	301	1,330	8.1
Vegetables	143	197	244	835	18.5
Vegetable oils	75	43	55	331	14.3
Wine	74	51	47	399	-13.5
Coffee	171	226	203	989	-12.7
Cocoa	88	120	81	409	-31.3
Rubber, natural	93	119	62	459	23.3
Sugar	53	45	39	235	69.2
Tobacco, unmfg.	14	47	42	188	-19.8

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